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## Threats at South Jordan Middle School

**SOUTH JORDAN, UT** – On January 25, 2019, the South Jordan Police Department received information that a threat referencing a school shooting occurring on February 14<sup>th</sup> was found on a bathroom stall of the boys restroom at South Jordan Middle School. Since that time, the SRO assigned to the school has been investigating the incident and at this time we believe the threat is not valid; however, we take any threat to commit violence seriously and have had an increased police presence at the school this week and will for the remainder of the week.

There has been no valid information received that this threat has occurred anywhere other than South Jordan Middle School. We would like to encourage the public if you hear a rumor like this to contact the school or your local law enforcement agency to ask questions rather than posting to social media, as this creates unnecessary fear and panic in the community.

A threat of terrorism (UCA 76-5-107.3) in Utah that involves the threat to commit any offense involving bodily injury, death, or substantial property damage can be charged as a Class B Misdemeanor up to a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Felony, depending on the circumstances.

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